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	AA	5,999,932	12/07/1999	Filtering unsolicited electronic mail messages using data matching and heuristic processing	707	10	1/13/98
	AB	6,023,723	02/08/2000	Filtering unwanted junk email utilizing a plurality of filtering mechanisms	709	206	12/22/97
	AC	6,029,164	02/22/2000	Organizing & accessing electronic mail messages using labels & full text label indexing	707	3	6/16/97
	AD	6,092,101	07/18/2000	Filtering mail messages for a plurality of client computers connected to mail serv. System	709	206	6/16/97
	AE	6,161,130	12/12/2000	Probabilistic classifier to detect "junk" email by automatically updating a training & retraining	709	206	6/23/98
	AF	6,167,434	12/26/2000	Computer code for removing junk email messages	709	206	7/15/98
	AG	6,199,102	03/06/2001	Filtering electronic messages	709	206	8/26/97

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	CA	Mehran Sahami, Susan Dumais, David Heckerman, Eric Horvitz, "A Bayesian Approach to Filtering Junk E-Mail,"
	CB	Paul Graham, "Stopping Spam," August 2003
	CC	Paul Graham, "Filters that Fight Back," August 2003
	CD	Paul Graham, "Better Bayesian Filtering," January 2003
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	AH	6,249,805	06/19/2001	Filtering unauthorized electronic mail messages	709	206	8/12/97
	AI	6,266,692	07/24/2001	Blocking all unwanted email (spam) using a header-based password	709	206	1/4/99
	AJ	6,324,569	11/27/2001	Self-removing email verified or designated as such by a message distributor	709	206	7/18/00
	AK	6,330,590	12/11/2001	Preventing delivery of unwanted bulk email	709	206	1/5/99
	AL	6,421,709	07/16/2002	Email filter and method thereof	709	206	7/7/99
	AM	6,484,197	11/19/2002	Filtering incoming email	709	206	2/11/99
	AN	6,487,586	11/26/2002	Self-removing email verified or designated as such by a message distributor	709	206	8/13/01

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